



Meeting Summary

City of Columbia Climate Protection Action Campaign Public Works Facility, 2910 Colonial Drive February 2, 2010

Attendees: *Robert Anderson, Mary Pat Baldauf, Aaron Bell, Dee Bennett, Mark Bostic, Randy Cherry, Missy Gentry, Robert Harkins, Pam Harpootlian, Jane Hiller, Grant Jackson, Mike Jaspers, Victoria Kramer, Karen Kustafik, Anna Lang, Shannon Lizewski, Tonya Lott, Martha Mason, Tracy Mitchell, Ron Rideout, Anne Sinclair, Sharon Snider, Nancy Lee Trihey, Vicki Whitehead.*

Colonial Life Arena Director of Operations updated committee members on their new recycling program, funded by a DHEC grant obtained in cooperation with the City of Columbia.

Chairwoman Anne Sinclair reminded members that CPAC will be involved in capturing stakeholder feedback in the NPDES permitting process. Shannon Lizewski from the City's Engineering Department updated members on the permit process and the various aspects of the program. Afterwards, members discussed possible ways to educate the public, including via established CPAC programs like Green Business and Green Congregations.

Sustainability Facilitator Mary Pat Baldauf updated the group as follows:

- The City, Richland County and Lexington County are submitting an EPA Care Grant application to implement DHEC's Breathe Better Air at School at every school in Midlands school districts 1-7.
- Staff is finishing up details on the Green Building Incentive program with hopes to unveil it to the public in mid-to-late February.
- Staff is updating the Web site and collateral materials for Green Congregations, which we hope to unveil in early March.
- Terracycle founder and CEO Tom Szaky will be the keynote speaker for the September 14 Green is Good for Business conference on September 14. Members were requested to contact Mary Pat with program suggestions.
- Next month, Heidi Johnson will unveil the new reusable bag campaign identity created gratis by Riggs.
- Talks continue about air quality in the Midlands, focusing on the revised standards for ground level ozone. The City continues to meet with other local governments, partners and DHEC to discuss and implement solutions. DHEC Bureau of Air Quality Chief Myra Reece will update City Council at their February 3 meeting.

The next CPAC meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 2 at the Public Works Facility.